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In re Application of: SATO et al.	) )	
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For: THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD APPROPRIATELY SUPPRESSING SIDE FRINGING AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME	) Group Art Unit: ) 2652 ) )	Technology Center 2600

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In an Office Action dated January 28, 2004, in the above-referenced applications, the applicants' claims were subjected to a restriction requirement under 35 USC § 121. The applicants' claims were further divided into Group I, including claims 1-13 as drawn to a thin film magnetic head, and to Group II, including claims 14-17 as drawn to a method of fabricating a thin film magnetic head. The applicants hereby provisionally elect the claims of Group I; however, the applicants respectively traverse the restriction requirement.